

Grads-to-be Swing in Park

by Hope Parisi

On May 17, 90 members of the graduating class and their dates attended Bishop Ford Central Catholic High School's third annual senior prom. The function was held at Terrace on the Park restaurant in Flushing Meadow Park, Queens.

Couples enjoyed a three-course meal consisting of fruit appetizer, caesar salad, prime ribs of beef, potato and vegetable, dessert, coffee and tea. Music was provided by a band which played the top 40 hits on the chart. Professional photographs were taken of the couples. The Bishop Ford faculty was also present.

Traditionally, the restaurant affair constitutes only a part of the activities prom night. As in the past, many Ford seniors sought additional forms of entertainment after twelve o'clock; Manhattan was the major attraction. A popular spot was Dangerfield's Restaurant on the East Side. This nightclub caters to prom-goers every year with a continuous show until 4 a.m. It has an informal atmosphere where guests are seated on couches rather than chairs. Other seniors visited Adam's Apple Discotheque across the way. This club has also catered to many proms—25,000 so far. Some seniors chose to experience Wednesday's Restaurant and Discoteque on the Upper East Side. It has a French city atmosphere with cobblestone "streets" and Paris cafes. The Copacabana also attracted some prom-goers with its famous \$100,000 light show. An old-fashioned carriage ride around Central Park was another popular option for the evening.

A senior prom could be an expensive affair, depending upon the extravagance of its participants. The prom is formal, calling for tuxedos and gowns. Tuxedo rental costs range from \$30 to \$50. Gowns start at about \$60. Limousine service is also traditional. Two or three couples may share the expense of paying \$15 to \$23 an hour for a limousine and chauffeur. Night club prices also vary. Dangerfield's, for example, charges \$12.50 which covers admission, show, and two drinks. Places like Adam's Apple ask no cover charge but everything else is extra. The prom ticket itself was \$55.

Seniors Dubbed by Poll

Class Clown—Anthony Rollo; Class Romeo—James Sgaliardich; Class Radical—Louis Fis; Class "Jock"—Guy Pepe; Class Politician—Nancy Moley; Class Businessman—Anthony Ligouri; Class Brain—Pat Parisi; Class Musician—Robert Zito; Class Bookworm—Patrick Parisi; Class Strongman—John Panicali; Most likely to succeed—Nino De-

salvo; Most Handsome—Louis Santinelli; "Coolest in Class"—Al Emmett; Shyest—Carmella Sessa; Most Intelligent—Jose Cabrera; Prettiest—Mary Panek.

NHS Bleeds Falcons

by Maria Sallustio

On Monday, May 1, the Bishop Ford Chapter of the National Honor Society sponsored a blood drive in the gymnasium. Fifty-nine students, parents and faculty members of Ford donated one pint of blood each, aided by nurses and technicians from the American Red Cross.

The monetary value of the blood donated was over \$2,100. "But of greater value," says Brother Philip Meyer, National Honor Moderator, "was the service the Ford community gave by providing the opportunity for people to show their generosity." Brooklyn hospitals alone call for 80,000 pints of blood a year and seventy-five percent of the supply must be imported from Europe at a cost of \$37.50 a pint. Within 21 days of the drive, all the blood collected will be transfused to needy patients.

Says Patrick Parisi, chairman of the drive, "I was very happy to see that the blood drive was a success, and to give blood. It didn't hurt much at all. It is something we should all do on a regular basis."

Ford a Zooey Place

by Wendy Lau

Snakes, rats, mice and fish! That's what you can see in the biology zoo. Aside from these animals, there are also turtles, guinea pigs, amphibians, birds, and lizards.

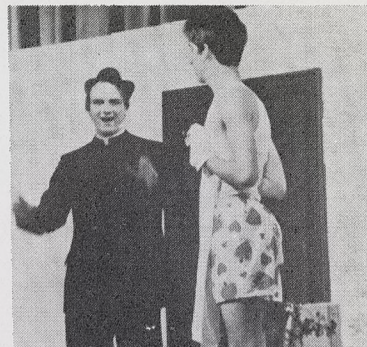
Mr. DeFina is in charge of the zoo and when he's not in, Student Coordinator Nino De Salvo takes charge.

The animals are used for biology, behavior, zoology, even human physiology, and advanced biology.

Most of the animals are Mr. DeFina's. When he started he had three or four set-ups. Then, as the years passed, he collected more animals with the aid of the students. Today there are twenty-five set-ups and six individual timers (daily).

In order to keep the zoo,

Chalk Circle Players Captivate Audience



Bishop Ford Central Catholic High School's production of *Anything Goes* "had 'em in the aisles," as evidenced by the scenes above.

HIGH POINT

Volume 3, Number 5

BISHOP FORD CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL

May-June, 1979

B. F. C. Students Ecologize

by Herb Korn

On May 11, the Ecology Club hosted three New York politicians in a discussion group on urban environmental conditions. In response to a letter written by club coordinator John Caminiti, state Assemblyman Joseph Ferris agreed to visit Ford. State Senator Christopher Mega and Environmental Protection Agency Representative Philip Weinberg also attended.

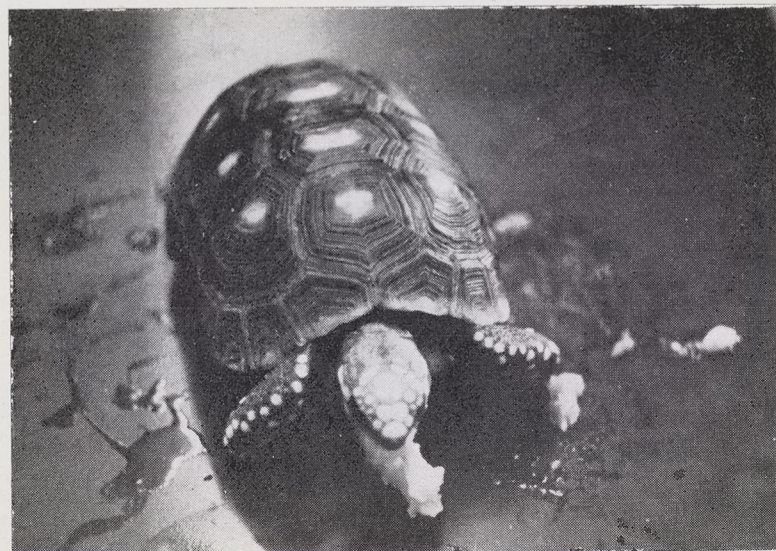
Forty students and faculty members were present to hear the legislative view on topics concerning pollution, energy, and endangered city life. A most pertinent topic dealt with nuclear energy. Already 18% of the energy we use is derived from nuclear power plants. But according to Assemblyman Ferris, Albany feels that any increase in the use of this energy source is unnecessary and unfavorable. "There are other alternatives," stated Ferris. "Hydropower, for example. A study showed that the potential hydropower of Niagara Falls could possibly equal the total energy of three nuclear power plants." Coal and solar resources have been left relatively untapped. Ferris went further to state, "When you affect one side, you have to be careful you don't leave an imbalance on the other side." The use of hydropower would

affect recreation and wildlife aspects, and coal is a polluting agent.

The talk revealed that any governmental inaction concerning the environment stems from a tight financial budget. "With the exception of nuclear release, we DO know how to fix a lot of the environmental problems," admitted Senator Mega. "But it's expensive." Environmental issues are the last to take any precedence in political affairs.

But those efforts made to improve conditions have produced favorable results. As discussed, for example, the fish population in the Hudson is increasing due to clean-up action. Crabs and salmon are migrating and reproducing to a greater extent. Stricter pollution regulations work but only when enforced. More employment also results when action is taken. "But no matter how many laws are passed on the city, state, or federal level," said Ferris, "it comes down to the individual who demonstrates concern."

Both the Ecology Club and politicians were pleased with the results of the meeting. Many questions were answered. "It was very successful," stated John Caminiti, "although I wish more faculty members could have come." More talks are certain to be included in the Ecology Club activities of next year.



Lenny DaVinci the Turtle crossing the finish line

Civilian Reaction

Jimmy Cutrone

This article is a follow-up on the story appearing in last month's *Highpoint*, "Is A New Draft Blowing?"

It is my personal opinion that the majority of young men are against the draft. I interviewed a number of students, most of whom resent the draft for numerous reasons.

The two questions which I asked are: "Do you feel the draft is fair?" and, "Would you go if called?"

Robert Conklin, 203: "Yes, I think instituting a draft is fair, but only during wartime. If I were called, I would go. If my father went, then I can go and should. During peacetime I would not go."

John Ferro, 404: "I only agree to the draft in the case of a national emergency. But even if it weren't, I guess I would go, because I feel it is my duty."

Paul Hayes, 107: "I don't like it. It takes men against their own will. I would not go."

John Tesoriero, 308: "The volunteer army isn't working. I wish there were an alternative to the draft, but there isn't. So, I guess I'm in favor of it. I would go, only to fight for our own country."

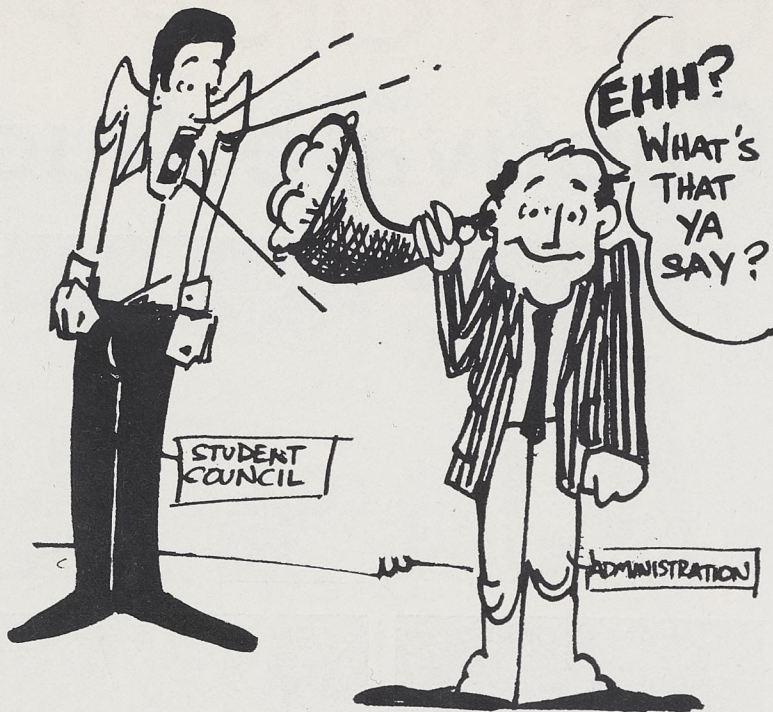
Chris Fannon, 305: "The draft is needed because, without it, who would defend the country? I would go if called."

Martin Maher, 109: "I'm against the draft. People should have their own free choice of whether they want to go or not. I would not go."

Eddie Fifield, 205: "I would go only if the draftboard showed no partiality in choosing people."

Tom Leopoldi, 405: "I am against the draft. To me it seems like an excuse to get into a war."

Rickey Ferro, 205: "There shouldn't be any war in the first place. Forget about the draft and talk peace. All the leaders of the world should talk, instead of sending young men to war."



Letter to the Editor

At the beginning of each year a feeling of excitement runs through the student body and faculty. It is the most chaotic time of the year, the time to choose those who will be in the student government.

Immediately after you find out where your classes are and get settled, the candidates begin their drive for office. It doesn't matter if you have no idea who the candidates are; if they're cute, vote for them.

The council is very limited and half of what they promise is impossible to deliver. Obviously, they do not know that their position entails doing a lot of talking and debating, usually with no results.

Students are told if they have any gripes to tell their homeroom representative, who in turn will tell the president and vice president to inform the administration.

What happens after the issue is brought to the administration? After all this running around, the complaint is distorted or, even better, forgotten.

In other words, we can talk all we want but the administration has the final say.

The Student Council, however, is not to blame. While they're campaigning and promising us great things, they are not aware that they are the pawns in the "Game of Democracy" at B.F.: let the students pick whom they want to represent them, that should satisfy. As far as action goes, it's in the hands of the administration.

There will be no true democracy at B.F. until those who are affected by the rules and regulations imposed on them by the administration have a major voice in all issues concerning them.

In conclusion, a general opinion of my fellow students seems to be that there will be no school enthusiasm or true democracy until the students are given the right to have the freedoms any democratically-ruled people have.

—Barbara Scott, 210

HIGHPOINT'S Editors and Staff Congratulate the Class of '79

Spill the Salt

by Brian Picardi

The United States is approaching yet another arms agreement with the Soviet Union. This is appropriately named SALT II. Much like the first SALT (Strategic Arms Limitations Talks), its main goal is to "balance" the power of nuclear weapons between the U.S. and the Soviets. Ratification of this treaty will ultimately put a ban or "quota" on the number of MIRV's (Multiple Warheads) contained within ICBM's (Intercontinental Ballistic Missiles), and also limit other strategic nuclear weapons on both sides.

Through previous experience with the first SALT talks, we have found that, while we have subtracted from our nuclear arsenal to meet the standards of the treaty, the Soviets have dramatically increased theirs! Why wasn't anything done?

Supposedly, this is what SALT II is all about: to slow Russia down in her buildup of strategic arms so that both countries have a stable amount of missiles, bombs, etc.

Despite the plain truth that Russia is way ahead of us on land, sea and air based missiles and other nuclear weapons, President Carter states that the nuclear arsenals of both nations are "essential by equivalent."

What about the "elite" B-1 bomber that the U.S. was to provide, the most advanced craft of its kind? It was scrapped. Why? "Too much money," claims the government. Statistics show that with the same amount of money the U.S. spends in three weeks for the Armed Forces, the government could build a fleet of B-1 bombers. Still, we can't have it.

Yet the Soviet Union develops and mass produces the "backfire bombers," the most awesome Soviet warship since the MIG-16.

Once again Carter claims that the rejection of SALT II would lead to "unnecessary military spending, global instability and threat of war. The Russians cheat and Carter worries about "unnecessary military spending." Sounds logical, right?

In light of these facts, I submit that the U.S. will gain nothing from SALT II and the Soviets will gain everything despite cheat-detecting devices such as photographic satellites and other top secret systems used by the United States and NATO.

HE IS

He speaks through the sunshine,
& the rain,
He sees through the eyes of flowers,
& innocent babes,
He manifests his glory in the thunder
& the lightning,
In the awesome towering of mountains
& in the simplest blade of grass.
He reaches out & touches us through the pulsating rays of sunshine,
& through the gentle breeze,
He awakens us each morning with a sunrise,
& announces the closing of the day in a beautiful array of color.
He speaks through the song of the nightingale,
classic & sweet,
& through the silence of the owl, wise & ageless,
He gives freely of himself,
never asking, always giving.

—Rosanna Iuliano

Is Anybody There

Fully aware of its previously limited success, the Bishop Ford Student Council began its third term of service last fall with a promise to "try harder." Candidates for executive office had to buck the negative vibes of the student body against a so-called ineffective council. Finally, however, students cast their ballots in a cooperative spirit because it looked like things might change.

Since then, the Student Council has undertaken some noteworthy projects with which it must be justly credited. The Orphans' Party and Bright Christmas Program were noble actions and very successful. The senior prom and ski trip were a result of council planning, and a 'Trampps' concert was also organized. The council initiated a Student Bazaar Day and a Valentine Carnation Drive. And students remember the overwhelming spirit present at the Student Council Pep Rally, December 1, and enjoy the new pinball machines in the cafeteria. In addition, there were six dances.

But still, the Student Council has realized no radical change in its reputation. Some basic snags remain. What was primarily purposed to provide an available and effective means of student redress is seldom used as such in the Ford system because students are unconvinced of their council's power to handle grips and frustrations. For example, the majority of the student body is represented most directly by 45 homeroom representatives. And yet there have not been called more than five homeroom rep meetings during the entire school year. In another instance we note that proposals to the council supported by seventy-five signatures guarantee consideration. When such a proposal concerning the girls' dress code was put forth, a final answer was never received. These proceedings shake the student's faith in a representative council for Ford.

While functions such as pep rallies and dances are important for school spirit, an effective forum for the development of positive faculty-student relations is equally as important. And this fact must not continue to be overlooked.

Inquiring Reporter

by Patrick Parisi

Question: What are your thoughts on graduation?

Joseph Cappelleri, 402: "It's the end of memorable experiences with special people and the beginning of new opportunities and friendships. I feel sad, regretful, and I want to do it all over again."

Michael Malizioso, 406: "I think the end of this school is just the beginning of real life. Religion has been drilled into our heads and now we can break away from all ties and begin a new quest, the start of college."

John Vitucci, 409: "I'm looking forward to spending the summer at the beach and going to college. I will miss all my friends and the girls."

Francis Stokes, 409: "I see my graduation not as an end, but as a new beginning, a handle to lead me to my goal in life. I stand ready to accept this challenge."

HIGH POINT

Bishop Ford Central Catholic High School
500 19 Street
Brooklyn, New York 11215

Hope Parisi	Editor-in-Chief
Glen Olsen	Assistant Editor
Brian Picardi	Assistant Editor
Robert Siebold	News Editor
Hope Parisi, Maria Sallustio, Brian Picardi, Wendy Lau, Herb Korn	
Maria Sallustio	Editorial Editor
Jim Cutrone, Barbara Scott, Brian Picardi, Rosanna Iuliano, Hope Parisi	
Zena Baygin	Sports Editor
Joseph Frega, Josephine Sorgenti	
Christine Babick	Feature Editor
Pascale Bastien, Joseph Frega, Brian Picardi, Tom Gambale	
Joseph Frega	Copy Editor
Julia Piotrowski	Photography Editor
Tom Lipari, Ed Aalbue, Jim Cutrone, Tom Leopoldi, Sir Louis Diorio	
Steve Petruccio	Art Editor
Brother Alphonsus Maher, O.S.F.	Principal
George A. McKay	Moderator



Student Spotlight: Roy Galifi

by Pascale Bastien

Highpoint focuses on Roy Galifi in the **Student Spotlight**. In view of his high achievement record, Roy is a most outstanding member of the graduating class.

Roy hails from Saint Mary Mother of Jesus Grammar School in Bensonhurst. Since in attendance at Bishop Ford, he has made many important decisions. Perhaps the most significant is his choice to pursue a medical career. "I want to benefit my fellow man," says Roy, "as well as acquire a working knowledge of the human body." His volunteer work at Lutheran Medical Center has aided him in his decision. Here, Roy assists medical personnel in the emergency room and views medical procedures close-up.

At Ford Roy participates in tutoring, peer group and the Student Council. He is also an active member of the National Honor Society. He has served on the various committees to sponsor the Orphan's Party, Bright Christmas Party and the National Honor Dance and Blood Drive.

Roy has been the recipient of the "I Dare You" Leadership Award and a Regents Scholarship. His name is listed in **Who's Who Among American High School Students** for the present school year. He has also received a \$30,000 Air Force ROTC scholarship, plus a \$2,000 scholarship to Fordham and a \$2,500 scholarship to New York University. This fall Roy will be attending Columbia University on a \$2,500 scholarship.

Please God, I'm Only 17!

The day I died was an ordinary school day. How I wish I had taken the bus! But I was too cool for the bus. I remember how I wheedled the car out of Mom. 'Special favor,' I pleaded, 'all the kids drive.' When the 2:24 bell rang, I threw all my books in the locker. I was free until 8:30 tomorrow morning! I ran to the parking lot, excited at the thought of driving a car and being my own boss. Free!

It doesn't matter how the accident happened. I was goofing off—going too fast. Taking crazy chances. But I was enjoying my freedom and having fun. The last thing I remember was passing an old lady who seemed to be going awfully slow. I heard the deafening crash and felt a terrific jolt. Glass and steel flew everywhere. My whole body seemed to be turning inside out. I heard myself scream.

Suddenly I awakened; it was very quiet. A police officer was standing over me. Then I saw a doctor. My body was mangled. I was saturated with blood. Pieces of jagged glass were sticking out all over. Strange that I couldn't feel anything.

Hey, don't pull that sheet over my head. I can't be dead. I'm only 17. I've got a date tonight. I am supposed to grow up and have a wonderful life. I haven't lived yet. I can't be dead.

Later I was placed in a drawer. My folks had to identify me. Why did they have to see me like this? Why did I have to look at Mom's eyes when she faced the most terrible ordeal of her life? Dad suddenly looked like an old man. He told the man in charge, 'Yes, he is my son.'

The funeral was a weird experience. I saw all my relatives and friends walk toward the casket. They passed by, one by one, and looked at me with the saddest eyes I've ever seen. Some of my buddies were crying. A few of the girls touched my hand and sobbed as they walked away.

Please . . . somebody . . . wake me up! Get me out of here. I can't bear to see my Mom and Dad so broken up. My grandparents are so racked with grief they can barely walk. My brother and sisters are like zombies. They move like robots. In a daze, everybody! No one can believe this. And I can't believe it, either.

Please don't bury me! I'm not dead! I have a lot of living to do! I want to laugh and run again. I want to sing and dance. Please don't put me in the ground. I promise if you give me just one more chance, God, I'll be the most careful driver in the whole world. All I want is one more chance.

Please, God, I'm only 17! — Reprinted from *New York Post*

Summer Rock Shows

by Tom Gambale

This being the last issue of the year, I thought I would let you know who will be around this summer. To start off, Eric Clapton will be around in June, touring for his recent album, "Backless." **The Who** will be appearing here in the last week of August. For all you hard rockers, Aerosmith and Kiss will both be appearing here this summer. Definite dates for these appearances aren't known yet. The legendary **Led Zepplin** will be appearing here in July, promoting their new album that is not yet released.

The brilliant Electric Light Orchestra who have one of the greatest shows in rock history might well be appearing towards the end of the summer. Their performance will consist of a four-ton spaceship levitating above their heads and a fabulous light show.

Yes, **Yes** is coming in June, but don't try to get tickets for their performance. It's been sold out for months.

Still un-named, but albums to look for this summer are by **The Eagles**, who are going to be getting into some harder stuff. **Queen** will soon have a new live album out. It was recorded in Japan, but is still being completed. Also, **Lead Zepplin** and **Kiss** will add their albums to the market in the next month or two.

Rolling Right Along

by Joseph Frega

The Stones started in 1960. The group was formed by Mick Jagger and Keith Richards. Each knew the other from the neighborhood. The addition of Brian Jones, Charlie Watts and Bill Wyman along with the two, and the Stones were born.

The Stones in the early years toured in England. Their first performance was with Bo Diddley and the Everly Brothers. In England the Stones topped the charts and were known as the ugliest band in England.

In 1964 their first album was released in Britain called *Sticks & Stones*.

Even though they were known as being ugly, their concerts were always sold out and riots were common.

After touring both Europe and England with great success, the Stones came to the U.S. in 1965. In early January their first album was released, from it hits "Play with Fire" and "Time is on my Side." In May the hit "Satisfaction" was released; it was the first No. 1 hit in the U.S.

In '66 the Stones made many television appearances, one included "American Bandstand" and "The Ed Sullivan Show." These appearances plus the hit "19th Nervous Breakdown" made the Stones recognized and loved.

In 1967 the Stones toured the U.S. for the first time. Their concerts were sold out and fans were turned on to Jagger's actions on stage. On

the charts they hit No. 1 with "Ruby Tuesday" and "Get off my Cloud."

All seemed to be going well as they rolled into 1968. The only problem was drugs. Jagger and Richards were put on trial in the "Quarter Sessions" for possession. Also, Brian Jones was arrested for cannabis. The drug cases would carry on for years to come. This made the Stones both loved and hated. In the same year the Stones released hits "Jumpin' Jack Flash," "Sympathy for the Devil," and the L.P. "Beggar's Banquet."

For the Stones 1969 was a year of tragedy. Brian Jones died of an O.D. and Mick Taylor took his place.

Even with a successful tour of the U.S., Jagger was making headlines with drug possession, with hits like "Honky Tonk Woman," "You Can't Always Get What You Want" and live concerts; 1969 was a year of "A Rolling Stone gathering no moss."

The tragedies of '68 and '69 continued into 1970. At a concert in Altamont, Cal., Jagger was nearly assassinated and the drug problems continued.

The album "Get Your Ya Ya Out," a live one and the film "Gimme Shelter," kept Stones on top.

The following year was a little better. The album "Sticky Fingers" released hits "Bi Bitch," "Brown Sugar" and "Wild Horses."

In the early 70's the Stones in concert were considered the main event. In '72 the

Stones "Tour of America" saw crowds of more than 40,000.

The Stones once again hit No. 1 in '73 with "Angie," and Richards was arrested on drug possession of heroin.

The Stones celebrated their 10th Anniversary in '74, with a new member, Ron Wood. Also in the year numerous books were published about them and Jagger interviews were in every magazine. The hit "It's Only Rock 'n' Roll" was released and fans noted it as being the Stones' best in years.

In 1975, the Stones once again toured "The American" with success. The crowds kept increasing at concerts. Finally in Cleveland 83,000 witnessed the Stones in concert, the largest crowd ever in rock 'n' roll history.

The news of 1976 was the album "Hot Stuff" and the breakup or separation of Mick and Bianca.

The tours decreased in 1977 and Jagger was being sued in court and charged for fathering a child. These headlines led people to believe that the group was finished.

The album "Some Girls," released hits "Miss You," "Shatter" and "Beast of Burden," gave fans the belief that the Stones would survive through '78. The tour of the Stones in '78 was believed to be their last.

The 15 years of survival and hits have made the Stones fulfill the statement that they are "the Greatest Rock 'n' Roll Band."

Faculty Focus: Sr. Colleen Colbert

by Christine Babick

For this issue, **Highpoint** interviewed senior counselor Sr. Colleen Colbert, one of the most popular members of the faculty. She's known as a helpful person with a happy disposition, always willing to lend an ear. As if to acknowledge this statement, Sister said of herself, "I like helping people and I like teenagers—I'd rather talk than eat!" Sr. Colleen was the first nun to come to Bishop Ford back in 1975. Before working here she was the coordinator of a poverty program in the late '60's, and later had various positions in schools in Brooklyn and Queens. Sister is Brooklyn born and raised, and attended St. John's University where she earned a B.A. and an M.A. in theology. From there she went on to Fordham where she received another M.A. degree. She is a Dominican Sister of Amityville, and this summer she's going to work



Sister Colleen Colbert

with the senior sisters there. She will also go on retreat, and then, finally, she receives a two-week vacation. In her spare time sister prays and likes to visit friends. She's an avid Met fan and in spring and summer one often finds her at Shea.

When asked what her reaction was to this year's graduating class, she replied, "I think the seniors are great, and I loved every minute of their four years." It seems that this year's seniors are extra special to her, since she began here when they started as freshmen. Sister summed up with: "I love Ford and the people that make it Ford."

Sister will be working with freshmen next year and hopes to take another class through its four years at Ford.

The Year in Sports Should the Rangers Have Won the Cup?

by Joseph Frega

The big story in sports this year at Ford centers around the Varsity basketball team. The team, led by "big" Chris Logan, enjoyed another good season. The team made the playoffs again for the second year in a row. However, the biggest victory was the one up in Utica. The Falcons put on a show of perfect teamwork and dedicated play. The Falcons, coached by Ray Nash, have a very real championship in sight.

Along with this team, the J.V. and freshman teams played hard basketball and enjoyed good seasons.

Out of all our teams at Ford, none has captured more honors or has been more consistent in each performance than the track team.

In the Cross-Country Season, the Varsity finished second place in Brooklyn, fourth place in Brooklyn-Queens and sixth place in New York City in overall competition.

In overall competition, the Junior Varsity Team finished first in Brooklyn, first in Brooklyn-Queens, and second in New York City.

The girl's Cross-Country team was led by Regina Corrigan and freshman Mary Kawas. In her division, Mary was the individual winner in Brooklyn and Brooklyn-Queens. She also finished second in New York City in overall competition.

The big news in tennis was the "First Varsity Tennis Tournament" held during the weeks of Feb. 14-March 4. It was also the first time a Ford student captured first place in the play of Richard Kuzianik.

The girls this year also made headlines in sports during the season. The track team is made up of great talent and have many bright seasons ahead of them. Successful teams in volleyball and basketball gave Ford fans a lot to cheer about. A confident girls' softball team suggests that they will be making headlines.

The intramural system of Bishop Ford has always been successful. It gives each student the chance to participate in sports and an activity.

The system, led by Ray Habib, was changed this year to get more students involved.

In football, it was the Rams butting the Blazers 28-7. The game saw such unforgettable plays as John Martinez's dropped pass, the desperate dive by John Fiumara and the passing excellence of Dave Iacono.

In basketball, tough defense and explosive offense enabled the Nuggets to gain the championship.

Other intramural events included bowling, weightlifting and hockey.

This year marked the first appearance of soccer at Ford. The season may not be anything to brag about. However, the team is young; it's composed of hard hustlers who made each game very exciting.

Under new coach Al Hucht-

by Joseph Frega

The feeling is back, the fans who really never left have come back once more. The spirit at Madison Square Garden is alive and the Garden is once again echoing with the cheers that left with the Knicks in '73. Hockey in New York is the site of two winners now. "People, the Rangers are back in town!"

The 78-79 season was marked by a series of changes. First, Fred Shero, who had years of success with Philadelphia, joined the team and became head coach. With this change the giant explosion was sparked.

Another change was the swell investment in Swedes Ulf Nilsson and Andreas Hedberg. The two made their presence known with their lighting speed and scoring.

Along with these stars, Phil Esposito played his best hockey in years. This season his aggressive play inspired the young rookies and players. Also, Phil's ability to score and play team hockey made him turn boos to cheers.

Espo may not skate with the great Bobby Orr. However, teammates Don Murdock and Don Maloney have blended with Phil to form an awesome line that scored and did it many times this year.

Defense plays a vital part in the game. Dave Maloney, Dave Farrish and Ron Grenscher formed the kind of defense that kept many games close and turned others around.

The strong bench of the Rangers this year has given Fred Shero an easy job. Although Eddie Johnstone and Nick Fotin were used sparingly this season, when they arrived you knew they were there.

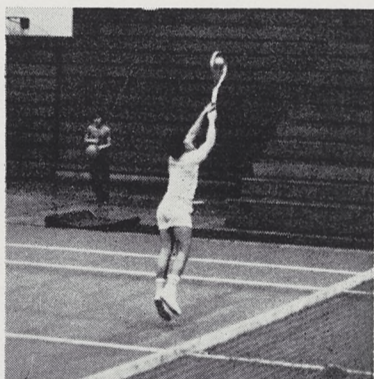
Goaltending is the hardest job in hockey. A team must have two good goalies in order to survive. The Rangers have three: Doug Soetar, Wayne Thomas and John Davidson. Each this year played excellent nets and won key games in key situations.

The key man, however, is John Davidson. Davidson enjoyed his best years in 78-79. Playing loose and confident, J.D. has kept the opposition honest.

After returning from a mid-season injury, he looked shaky and people wondered how the Rangers would do in the playoffs.

Well, these questions and doubts were turned to cheers. When the playoffs rolled into full gear, so did the Rangers and J.D.

With magic tricks in his numerous unbelievable saves, J.D. kept the Kings and Flyers at bay through the playoffs. The result, Ranger victories in each series. More importantly, the Rangers found themselves playing for a Stanley Cup.



Falcons in action

hausen, the swimming team had another good year. Led by John Ferro, Jimmy MacKay and the other members, the team contributed with a first place finish in the "Novice Individual Championships" and sixth in the CHSAA Swimming League.

An unsung team is the table tennis team at Ford. Hard work and dedication have enabled the team to play tough in each tournament and win a few of them.

A spirit of young talent and teamwork have the bowling team looking toward the future—despite their fourth

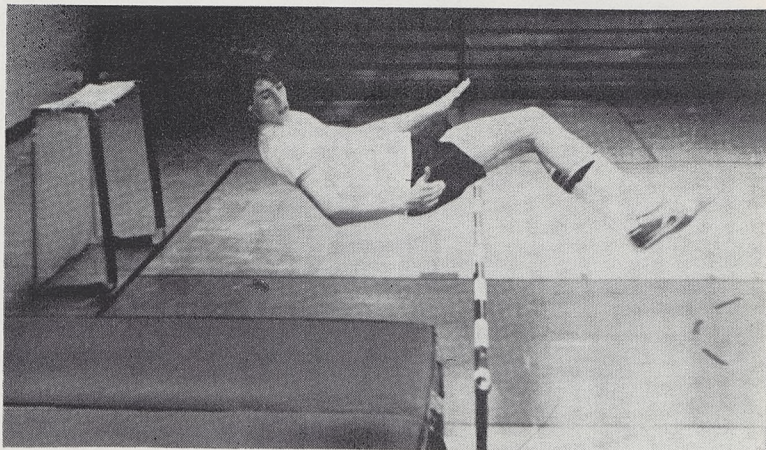
place finish, the varsity is very confident of good things ahead. The J. V. team is hoping that the winning of first place this past season will become a habit for the bowling club.

The baseball season is now in full bloom.

ANSWERS TO QUIZ:

10. b. Mets 1970
9. c
8. b
7. c
6. a-2, b-4, c-2, d-3
5. Jaime Quiñe-KC Royals
4. c
3. c
1. c

Sportlight: John Tracey



John Tracey flying high

by Josephine Sorgenti

This issue's sportlight column focuses on 6'3" junior John Tracey, an outstanding high-jumper on Ford's Varsity Track Team.

John hails from St. Ephrem's grammar school. A member of Ford's track team since his freshman year, John is now in his third year of high-jumping under the expert supervision of coaches Mr. Fernandez and Mr. Dewey.

In his freshman year John won the Brooklyn-Queens championship and finished second in New York City in the event of high-jumping. Last year as a sophomore John won the city championship in the sophomore division. So far this year John has competed in several meets and has finished very well in all of them. On December 19, 1978, John competed in the St. Peter's Invitational Meet and won a gold medal for his first place finish in overall competition. On February 24, 1979 at the New York State Indoor Competition held at the N.Y. Armory, John won the award for the highest junior jumper with a height of 6'2" and he finished fourth in over-all competition. This year John was also given honorable mention at the West Point Invitational (competition involving the entire East Coast) with a height of 6'2".

Besides being a member of Ford's Varsity Track Team, John also plays the position of forward on Ford's Varsity Basketball Team which had a great finish this year in season play. Also, for the past six years John has participated in the Holy Name Summer League.

Baseball Quiz

by Zena Baygin

- (1) All of these pitchers followed a 20-win season with a 20-loss season except:
 - a. Jerry Koosman
 - b. Wilbur Wood
 - c. Randy Jones
- (2) Who finished second to Pete Rose in the National League's Rookie of the Year voting in 1963?
 - a. Rusty Staub
 - b. Ken Hubbs
 - c. Ron Hunt
- (3) Kansas City Royals outfielder Pete LaCock's father is host of the T.V. show
 - a. Family Feud
 - b. Match Game
 - c. Hollywood Squares
- (4) Which pitcher shares Juan Marichal's N.L. record for opening day victories (six)?
 - a. Steve Carlton
 - b. Don Sutton
 - c. Tom Seaver
- (5) Name the only major league baseball player whose last name begins with the letter "Q"?
- (6) Match each player with the batting category he led last season:

a. Steve Garvey	1. doubles
b. Ivan DeJesus	2. hits
c. Pete Rose	3. triple
d. Garry Templeton	4. runs
- (7) Which American League player hit the most home runs (31) as a DH last season?
 - a. Jim Rice
 - b. Larry Hisle
 - c. Rico Carty
- (8) Who did not break his team's record for stolen bases last season?
 - a. Bump Wills—Rangers
 - b. John Stearns—Mets
 - c. Omar Moreno—Pirates
- (9) Which pitcher won 20 or more games six years in a row?
 - a. Tom Seaver
 - b. Jim Palmer
 - c. Ferguson Jenkins
- (10) Whose record for most consecutive errorless games in one season (86) by a second baseman did Baltimore's Rick Dauer break last year?
 - a. Dave Cash
 - b. Ken Boswell
 - c. Glenn Beckert